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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Amend the paragraph starting on page 7, line 7, and ending on page 7, line 10, as follows:

Due to this technique, perfect installation of the collar on the ring as well as perfect fastening of the ring onto the vessel neck by means of the longitudinal skirt ribs 14 only are provided. Also, the collar 2 can be definitely prefitted on the ~~collar~~ ring 1 prior to installation on the vessel neck.